

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS ELECTRIC COMPANY

MDTE No. 1012G
Cancels MDPU No. 1012F

BUY BACK INTERRUPTIBLE SERVICE
SCHEDULE I-3
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AVAILABILITY: This rate is available to any customer who, by contract, agrees to interrupt a separately metered connected load of at least 300 kilowatts above the customer's Firm Contract Demand (defined below) during periods when the Company's expected cost of energy delivered to the customer exceeds the energy charge below divided by 106.1 percent; the Company's or the New England Power Pool's reliability is threatened; or the Company is near its expected peak load.

This rate is not available to new applications except that customers taking service on this rate prior to March 1, 1995 can continue taking service on this rate up to the Interruptible Contract Demand level as of that date.

DEFINITIONS: Interruptible Contract Demand is the maximum connected load subject to interruption.

Firm Contract Demand is that level of demand, measured in kilowatts, below which the customer expects to receive firm service. Firm Contract Demand may be zero. Firm service (if any) shall be provided under the applicable firm service rate schedule, and all kilowatt-hour sales at demand levels up to the Firm Contract Demand shall be billed under that rate schedule. All other kilowatt-hour sales shall be billed at the selected energy charge under this rate schedule.

If the customer's demand in any hour exceeds the sum of Firm Contract Demand (if any) plus Interruptible Contract Demand, then the customer's demand minus the Interruptible Contract Demand shall be deemed to be a new level of Firm Contract Demand, which shall determine the demand charges of the applicable firm service rate for the remaining term of the contract for service under this rate schedule, or two (2) years, whichever is greater.

MONTHLY CHARGES:

CUSTOMER CHARGE:	\$958.48
FACILITIES CHARGE:	\$4.10/kW of Interruptible Contract Demand for customers receiving primary service
	\$5.13/kW of Interruptible Contract Demand for customers receiving secondary service
ENERGY CHARGE:	Primary service: 4.73¢ per kWh Secondary service: 4.83¢ per kWh

The Company shall have the right to change the energy charge once every twelve months and the energy charge shall be predicated on maintaining the estimated hours of interruption between 475 and 525 hours per year.

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CHARGES INCLUDED IN THE ABOVE RATES, ON AN EQUIVALENT PER-KWH BASIS:

TRANSITION	\$0.00535 per kWh
TRANSMISSION	\$0.00303 per kWh
STANDARD SERVICE OR DEFAULT SERVICE	\$0.07383 per kWh As Per Default Service Tariff
DEMAND-SIDE MANAGEMENT	\$0.00270 per kWh
RENEWABLE ENERGY	\$0.00100 per kWh

SUPPLIER SERVICE OPTIONS:

STANDARD SERVICE	As Per Standard Offer Service Tariff
DEFAULT SERVICE	As Per Default Service Tariff
THIRD-PARTY SUPPLY	As Per Standard Offer Service or Default Service Tariffs

TRANSITION COST ADJUSTMENT:

The Transition charges and terms under this rate includes a Transition Cost Adjustment Charge set in accordance with the Company's Transition Cost Adjustment.

TRANSMISSION COST ADJUSTMENT:

Transmission service charges for all customers taking service under this rate shall be set in accordance with the Company's Transmission Cost Adjustment.

NOTICE OF INTERRUPTION: The Company, on one hour's notice by telephone, may require the customer to reduce his load to the Firm Contract Demand. At its discretion, the Company may give longer notice to the customer and will attempt, but shall not be obligated, to provide the customer with weekly schedule of interruptions. Failure to reduce demand to the Firm Contract Demand shall result in the penalty described below.

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FAILURE TO INTERRUPT: In the event the customer fails to reduce load to the Firm Contract Demand at the time and for the period specified by the Company (unless the customer purchases the interruption, as described below), the customer's demand in excess of the Firm Contract Demand shall be deemed as establishing a new level of Firm Contract Demand, which shall determine the demand charges of the applicable firm service rate for the remaining term of the contract for service under this rate schedule.

PURCHASE TO AVOID INTERRUPTION: During periods when the Company's cost exceeds the energy charge divided by 106.1 percent, the Customer shall have the right to avoid the interruption by electing to purchase the interruption at the rate of the energy charge plus 4.25 cents per kWh.

The right to avoid the interruption will not be available if the expected system load will be within 5% of the highest peak load recorded in the prior sixteen months, or if the Company's system or the NEPOOL system must terminate interruptible customer loads to avoid or minimize reliability problems.

METERING: The customer charge for this rate contemplates hourly metering only. In the event the Company, or any agency having jurisdiction, determines that telemetering and/or automatic control equipment is required, such equipment shall be installed and maintained by the Company at the customer's expense. Such expense shall also include the costs of any dedicated communication lines or auxiliary facilities associated with telemetering and/or control.

TERM OF CONTRACT: The customer may select, contract and subsequently receive service under this rate for a maximum period of six (6) months before the customer must commit to continued service under this rate. If, within the first six months, the customer chooses to terminate service, the customer must provide written notice to the Company to that effect and the customer will be placed on the applicable general service rate. If the customer does not terminate service under this rate within the first six months of the contract, the term of the contract is five (5) years and shall continue until terminated by at least five (5) years' prior written notice given by either party to the other specifying the date of termination.

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